by original claim 15; claim 22 is supported by original claim 16; and claims 23 and 24 are supported by original claim 18.

In the restriction requirement dated August 20, 2001, Paper No. 10, claims 13-15 and 16-18 were grouped together in Groups VI-X, with Group VI relating to monoclonal antibodies reacting with peptide subfragment SEQ ID NO:2. Applicants submit that claims 19-24 are within Group VI, which is elected for examination at this time.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version With Markings to Show Changes Made."

All of the claims remaining in the application are now clearly allowable. Favorable consideration and a Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

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In the Claims:

Claims 1-18 have been canceled.

New claims 19-24 have been added.

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